

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. RODNEY P. FRELINGHUYSEN

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 18, 2008

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN. Madam Speaker, on the legislative day of June 17, 2008, I was unavoidably detained in returning to Washington, DC. As a result, I did not cast votes on roll-calls 414, 415, 416.

Had I been here, I would have voted:

"Yea" on rollcall 414, a motion to suspend the rules and pass H.R. 2964, the Captive Primate Safety Act;

"Yea" on rollcall 415, a motion to suspend the rules and pass H.R. 3702, the Montana Cemetery Act;

"Yea" on rollcall 416, a motion to suspend the rules and pass H. Res. 1275, honoring the life of Timothy John Russert, Jr., public servant, political analyst, and author.

THE DAILY 45: ULYSSES SIMMONS

HON. BOBBY L. RUSH

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 18, 2008

Mr. RUSH. Madam Speaker, the Department of Justice tells us that, everyday, 45 people, on average, are fatally shot in the United States. On Monday, June 16, the first day of summer vacation for Chicago Public Schools, 14-year-old Ulysses Simmons was fatally shot. He is the 27th CPS student slain since last fall. According to news reports, young Ulysses was killed over his bike. He had just gotten his first job, working with young children this summer at a local church. "When will this killing stop," asked his grandmother. "It needs to stop."

Americans of conscience must come together to stop the senseless death of "The Daily 45" and the dozens more unnecessary accidents and injuries related to guns. I join Ulysses' grandmother in saying: When will we say "enough is enough, stop the killing!"

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate on February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place, and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled, and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for

printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Thursday, June 19, 2008 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

JUNE 20

10 a.m.

Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

To hold hearings to examine the nomination of Elaine C. Duke, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary for Management, Department of Homeland Security.

SD-342

JUNE 24

10 a.m.

Finance

To hold an oversight hearing to examine trade functions, focusing on customs and other trade agencies.

SD-215

10:30 a.m.

Commerce, Science, and Transportation

To hold hearings to examine climate change impacts on the transportation sector.

SR-253

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

To hold hearings to examine the emergence of the superbug, focusing on antimicrobial resistance in the United States.

SD-430

Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

To hold hearings to examine ending excessive speculation in commodity markets, focusing on legislative options.

SD-342

Judiciary

Human Rights and the Law Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine from Nuremberg to Darfur, focusing on accountability for crimes against humanity.

SD-226

2:15 p.m.

Foreign Relations

Business meeting to consider H.R. 176, to authorize the establishment of educational exchange and development programs for member countries of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM), H.R. 2553, to amend the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 to provide for the establishment and maintenance of existing libraries and resource centers at United States diplomatic and consular missions to provide information about American culture, society, and history, S. 2120, to authorize the establishment of a Social Investment and Economic Development Fund for the Americas to provide assistance to reduce poverty, expand the middle class, and foster increased economic opportunity in the countries of the Western Hemisphere, S. 2166, to provide for greater responsibility in lending and expanded cancellation of debts owed to the United States and the international financial institutions by low-income countries, S. 3097, to amend the Vietnam Education Foundation Act of 2000, and International Convention Against Doping in Sport,

adopted by the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization on October 19, 2005 (Treaty Doc. 110-14).

S-116, Capitol

2:30 p.m.

Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Business meeting to consider pending calendar business.

SR-253

Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Business meeting to consider S. 2907, to establish uniform administrative and enforcement procedures and penalties for the enforcement of the High Seas Driftnet Fishing Moratorium Protection Act and similar statutes, an original bill entitled, "the National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2008", an original bill entitled, "the National Sea Grant College Program Amendments Act of 2008", and promotion lists in the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and the United States Coast Guard.

SR-253

JUNE 25

9:30 a.m.

Judiciary

Constitution Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine laptop searches and other violations of privacy faced by Americans returning from overseas travel.

SD-226

Energy and Natural Resources

To hold hearings to examine the increased global energy demand, focusing on the challenges for meeting future energy needs, while developing new technologies to address the current and future global climate change.

SD-366

10 a.m.

Environment and Public Works

To hold hearings to examine the future federal role for surface transportation.

SD-406

Small Business and Entrepreneurship

To hold hearings to examine solutions to cope with the rise in home heating oil prices.

SR-428A

11 a.m.

Appropriations

Energy and Water Development Subcommittee

Business meeting to markup proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2009 for the Energy Information Administration, focusing on forecasts for oil and gasoline prices.

SD-192

JUNE 26

9:30 a.m.

Veterans' Affairs

Business meeting to markup pending calendar business.

SR-418

2 p.m.

Judiciary

Crime and Drugs Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine effective ways to catch fugitives in the 21st century.

SD-226